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OF MUSHROOM AND LACTIC ACID FERMENTED SOLUTION
OF MUSHROOM PRODUCED THEREBY

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In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant hereby brings the following information to the attention of the Examiner in charge of the above-identified application:

Korean Patent No. 165939 (with English Abstract) is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 5, line 13.

Korean Patent No. 195886 (with English Abstract) is cited and discussed in the specification beginning at page 5, line 15.

Applicant notes that an Office Action on the Merits has not issued in the instant application. However, if an Office Action on the Merits has issued, and is crossing this statement in the mail, the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any fee necessary for consideration of this statement, including any payment under 37 C.F.R. 1.17(p), to be charged to Applicant's Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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Respectfully submitted,
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		1 English Language Abstract of JP 165939.
		2 English Language Abstract of JP 195886.

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